S. No.	*Name of the State*	*Number of Women Trained*
19.	Arunachal Pradesh	405
20.	Goa	395
21.	Manipur	515
22.	Nagaland	389
23.	Sikkim	409
24.	Meghalaya	532
25.	Tripura	790
26.	Mizoram	510
	Total	43,070

[*Translation*]

Promotion of Sapodilla Cultivation

5740. SHRI YASHWANTHRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is great demand for Sapodilla in foreign countries;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to promote the plantation of sapodilla in the Konkan area of Maharashtra;

(c) whether the government propose to set up a fruit processing centre for Sapodilla in thane district;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b). Presently, the export of Sapodilla is not significant be cause it is highly perishable and familiar only among the ethnic population in Gulf market. Government of Maharashtra has launched Horticulture Development Programme under Employment Guarantee Scheme since 1990-91 and Sapodilla is included in Konkan and other areas of Maharshtra.

(c) and (d). There is no proposal for setting up a food processing Centre in Thane district.

(e) The government do not directly set up food processing industries but promote development of food processing industries by providing financial assistance to Government undertakings, cooperatives, non-government orgnisations, etc. for setting up processing units. No proposal has been received seeking assistance for Sapodilla processing.

Live Stock Development Programme

5741. KUMARI UMABHARTI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to launch Live Stock Development programme in the hill-areas of the country; and